



Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116
Expedited Procedure - Group 2672

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: J. Brier
HIDEAKI OHSHIMA et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 2672
Application No.: 09/176,274)
: Filed: October 21, 1998)
: For: IMAGE PROCESSING)
: APPARATUS AND METHOD,)
: AND COMPUTER-READABLE)
: MEMORY)
: September 20, 2004

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2004, the term for responding to which having been extended to October 7, 2004 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: